

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Regular Session

December 1, 2003
8:00 p.m.

Council Chambers
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Marshall, Deputy Mayor Degginger, and Councilmembers Creighton, Davidson, Lee, Mosher and Noble

ABSENT: None.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Marshall, who presided.

2. Roll Call, Flag Salute

Upon roll call by the City Clerk, all Councilmembers were present. Boy Scout Troop #430 from St. Thomas Episcopal Church led the flag salute. Mayor Marshall commended the troop's leader, Scott Oki, a philanthropist, entrepreneur, and founder of the Oki Foundation.

(a) Recognition for Councilmember Mike Creighton

Mayor Marshall noted Councilmember Creighton's upcoming retirement from the Council and praised his professionalism and collegiality. She read a commendation highlighting his public service including nine years on the Bellevue School Board; election to City Council in 1995; and participation in regional forums including the King County Growth Management Planning Council (GMPC), King County Regional Policy Committee, Trans Lake Washington Study Committee, and the Suburban Cities Association (SCA) Board of Directors. Mr. Creighton served on the Council for eight years in which property taxes were increased only once. As mayor for two years beginning in 1998, he led the City as it earned a Moody's Aaa bond rating, developed or redeveloped several city parks, and entered into the historic Bel-Red Overlake Transportation Study (BROTS) Interlocal Agreement. More recently, he co-chaired the Downtown Implementation Plan Update Committee.

Dr. Davidson noted his longstanding relationship with Mr. Creighton on both the Council and with the School Board. He praised Councilmember Creighton as a logical thinker and sound decision maker and thanked him for his service to the community.

Mr. Noble said he has known and respected Mr. Creighton for many years and has followed his example of serving on both the School Board and the Council. He praised Mr. Creighton's sound judgment and integrity as a public servant.

Mr. Mosher praised Mr. Creighton's honesty, openness, candor, careful study of issues, and sensitivity to the citizens he has served. He thanked Mr. Creighton for his leadership.

Mr. Lee described Mr. Creighton as a quiet and thoughtful leader. He commended Mr. Creighton's role in achieving the BROTS agreement with the City of Redmond.

Deputy Mayor Degginger commended Mr. Creighton's commitment to the community, selflessness in public service, leadership, willingness to tackle difficult decisions, and exemplary courtesy. He noted Mr. Creighton's gift for asking the right questions and leading Council debate to seek answers to those questions.

Mayor Marshall praised Mr. Creighton's leadership in the community for the past 17 years. He has served with elegance and grace, does not apologize for the truth, is fair and consistent, and demonstrates a commitment to the common good.

Mayor Marshall invited audience members to offer public comment, and the following citizens came forward:

- (1) Claudia Balducci, newly elected Councilmember, thanked Mr. Creighton for his support of neighborhood issues and courageous leadership.
- (2) Joan Wallace noted her work for both of Mr. Creighton's Council campaigns. She praised his leadership and service to the community.
- (3) Ron Smith, former Mayor and Councilmember, commended Mr. Creighton for his extensive commitment over the years and steady leadership through some difficult times for the City.
- (4) Leslie Lloyd, Bellevue Downtown Association, praised Mr. Creighton's leadership on the Downtown Implementation Plan Citizen Advisory Committee and his ability to facilitate productive and constructive work with a 47-member group.
- (5) Arlene Darby commended Mr. Creighton for his public service and his family for supporting him in that role for so many years.

City Manager Steve Sarkozy praised Mr. Creighton for his strong character and leadership and for being a stabilizing force on the Council. He thanked Mr. Creighton for his years of service.

Councilmember Creighton thanked everyone for attending the meeting to offer their kind words. He thanked his wife for her support over the years. Mr. Creighton said he has enjoyed serving with a dedicated and hardworking Council, and he praised staff for their outstanding work.

Mayor Marshall thanked Andi Dash, former Executive Assistant to the City Council, for her role in organizing the evening's celebration.

3. Communications: Written and Oral: None.
4. Reports of Community Councils, Boards and Commissions: None.
5. Report of the City Manager

City Manager Steve Sarkozy recalled Council's adoption on October 6, 2003, of a residential parking permit zone (RPZ) in the vicinity of the International School. The new parking restrictions will go into effect on December 5.

Carol Helland, Land Use Director, said staff visited the school site today to determine whether parking lot expansions are feasible. Wetlands prevent expansion to the north of the lot, and construction material and vehicle staging prevent expansion to the south. City staff members have worked with school officials to improve traffic circulation on the site. Ms. Helland said staff concluded there is adequate parking at the school. However, bus traffic and delays in traffic circulation contribute to students choosing to park on adjacent streets to avoid the congestion. The Transportation Department will work with Metro to investigate moving the bus stops away from the driveways to mitigate congestion. Parents and students will be notified of the recommended circulation patterns.

Mr. Lee thanked staff for working with the school, students, and parents on the parking issue. Responding to Mr. Lee, Ms. Helland said additional parking options can be explored next summer, if needed, upon completion of the current construction at the school.

6. Council Business

Mr. Mosher attended the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) Board meeting, a transportation meeting at Microsoft to discuss the potential for tolls, and a special meeting of the Firemen's Pension Board. He represented Council at the Bellevue Philharmonic's 50Fest concert.

Mr. Lee attended a scout meeting to discuss citizenship and current issues and participated in the opening ceremony for this year's Garden d'Lights exhibit at Bellevue Botanical Garden.

Deputy Mayor Degginger attended Cascade Water Alliance meetings to discuss long-term water supply issues.

Mr. Creighton attended a meeting with residents to begin planning West Lake Sammamish roadway improvements.

Mayor Marshall participated in the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) interview process for an executive director and attended a celebration of National Family Week at the YMCA on Bel-Red Road.

7. Approval of the Agenda

- ➡ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to approve the agenda, and Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to approve the agenda carried by a vote of 7-0.

8. Consent Calendar

- ➡ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to approve the Consent Calendar, and Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.
- ➡ The motion to approve the Consent Calendar carried by a vote of 7-0, and the following items were approved:
 - (a) Minutes of November 10, 2003 Extended Study Session
Minutes of November 17, 2003 Study Session
Minutes of November 17, 2003 Regular Session
 - (b) Resolution No. 6928 authorizing execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Postal Express to provide centralized mail services for City facilities in an amount not to exceed \$56,750.
 - (c) Motion to approve payment of claims for the period ending November 25, 2003, and payroll for the period November 1 through November 15, 2003.
 - (d) Resolution No. 6929 authorizing execution of a contract with Virchow Krause and Company for consulting and assistance to the City of Bellevue in the development of a business plan for building and running a municipal network.
 - (e) Resolution No. 6930 approving an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Graham & Dunn, PC, for an amount not to exceed \$80,000 (for a total contract amount of \$130,000) for legal services in the pending litigation with Weinstein et al and King County concerning sediment and storm water runoff in the Coal Creek Basin.
 - (f) Resolution No. 6931 authorizing execution of an agreement with the Bellevue Boys and Girls Club to continue operating the Ground Zero Teen Center and satellite sites in partnership with the City of Bellevue.
 - (g) Resolution No. 6932 authorizing the City of Bellevue to submit for a grant for up to \$75,000 from the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) to assist in the development of the Highland Park outdoor skate park.
 - (h) Resolution No. 6933 authorizing the City of Bellevue to submit for a grant for up to \$150,000 from the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC) to assist in the development of the Lewis Creek Park athletic fields.

- (i) Resolution No. 6934 authorizing execution of an agreement with Timbercraft Homes to supply the materials and installation for the Crossroads Park Picnic Shelter, located at 16140 NE 8th Street, in an amount not to exceed \$98,703.36.
- (j) Motion to accept a Notice of Intent to Petition under 2003 Washington Laws Ch. 331 §§ 10(1) for the C&R-RVA annexation, a site of approximately 11.5 acres located on the east side of Lakemont Boulevard SE and south of Cougar Mountain Way in the Newcastle Subarea PAA. (*Annexation of this area was contemplated in the Development Agreement between the City and C&R LLC for the Tax Lots/Cougar Ridge subdivision.*)
- (k) Motion to award Bid No. 0355 for the enhancement of the West Lake Sammamish Roundabout (located just north of I-90) by landscaping the roundabout's center island area, to Sanders General Construction as low bidder in the amount of \$47,826. (CIP Plan No. NEP-1)
- (l) Resolution No. 6935 authorizing execution of a telecommunications right-of-way use agreement with the Bellevue School District. Such agreement would authorize the installation, operation, and maintenance of fiber optic cable and wireless communications facilities in certain City rights-of-way, subject to general conditions.
- (m) Resolution No. 6936 authorizing execution of a consultant agreement with David Evans Associates, Inc., to provide engineering services for pre-design analysis for Lakemont Boulevard between 171st Avenue SE and the south City limit, in the amount of \$193,496. (CIP Plan No. PW-R-140)
- (n) Ordinance No. 5498 authorizing and providing for the acquisition of interest in land required for Northup Way (120th to 124th Avenue NE) Transportation Improvements providing for condemnation, appropriation, taking and damaging of land and property rights necessary therefore; providing for the cost thereof and directing the initiation of appropriate proceedings in the manner provided by law for said condemnation. (CIP Plan No. PW-R-133)
- (o) Motion to award Bid No. 0352 for the A.C. Watermain Replacement (2003) Phase 2 to Bonner Brothers Construction as low bidder in the amount of \$720,778.80. (CIP Plan No. W-16)
- (p) Resolution No. 6937 authorizing an amendment to the professional services agreement for the Flush Station Rehabilitation Program project with Hammond Collier Wade Livingston for additional engineering services in the amount of \$27,000. (CIP Plan No. S-16)

9. Public Hearings: None.

10. Land Use

- (a) Ordinance No. 5499 approving the application of CAMWEST DEVELOPMENT (Albright Rezone) for the rezone of 8.19 acres located in the Newcastle Subarea at 6811 – 166th Way SE. This site is located at the southwest intersection of SE Cougar Mountain Way and 166th Way SE. The present zoning is R-1. The proposed zoning is R-3.5. File No. 03-108738-LQ.

Mayor Marshall noted Council discussed the proposed ordinance at the November 24, 2003, Extended Study Session.

Responding to Mr. Degginger, Ms. Helland said there are sensitive areas on the Albright site which will limit the ultimate development density.

➡ Mr. Lee moved to adopt Ordinance No. 5499, and Mr. Degginger seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to adopt Ordinance No. 5499 carried by a vote of 7-0.

11. Other Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions

12. Unfinished Business: None.

13. Continued Oral Communications: None.

14. New Business: None.

15. Executive Session: None.

16. Adjournment

Mayor Marshall thanked the scouts for attending the meeting.

At 8:42 p.m., Mayor Marshall declared the meeting adjourned.

Myrna L. Basich
City Clerk

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